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1. A pharmaceutical or cosmetic composition comprising an amount of isoquercitrin and a carrier.

2. A composition of claim 1, which is a pharmaceutical composition and comprises an amount of isoquercitrin which is effective as an antiviral agent.

3. A composition of claim 2, wherein said antiviral agent is effective against Herpesviridae.

4. A composition of claim 3, which is effective against herpes simplex virus.

5. A composition of claim 1, which is a cosmetic composition for topical application and comprises an amount of isoquercitrin which is effective as a UV filter.

6. A composition of claim 5, wherein said amount of isoquercitrin is effective as an antiviral agent.

7. A composition of claim 1, wherein said composition is ointment, cream, milk, lotion, emulsion, oil, gel, or liquid spray for topical application to the skin.

a 8. A ^{composition} ~~method~~ of claim 1, wherein said composition is a tablet, dragee, capsule, syrup, juice, or drops.

9. A composition of claim 1 for topical application to the skin, further comprising a UV-A or UV-B filter.

10. A composition of claim 9, where said UV

filtering agent is benzophenones, benzoylmethane derivatives and dibenzoylmethane derivatives, cinnamic acid esters, isoamyl methoxycinnamate, octyl methoxycinnamate, triazines, benzylidene camphor, PABA, salicylates, octocrylene, ZnO or TiO₂.

a 11. A composition of claim 1, *further* comprising synergistically-effective amounts of said isoquercitrin and synergistically-effective amounts of 5-ethyldeoxyuridine, *quercetin*, galangin, kaempferol, propolis, chrysin, apigenin, luteolin, myricetin, acacetin, eriodictyol, isorhamnetin, or a glycoside thereof, vitamins, carotenes, ascorbic acid, or a light protection filter which is *quercetin*, quercitrin, catechol, hesperitin, rutin, or a glycoside thereof.

12. A composition of claim 1, wherein said isoquercitrin is present in an amount of 0.01-10% by weight of said composition.

13. A composition of claim 1, further comprising a light protection filter, wherein said light protection filter is present in an amount of 0.01-40% by weight of said composition.

14. A composition of claim 1, further comprising an amount of a light protection filter, wherein said isoquercitrin is present in an amount of 0.1-90% by weight based on the total amount of light protection filter in said composition.

15. A topical composition for application to the skin, comprising an amount of isoquercitrin which is effective for UV light protection.

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